

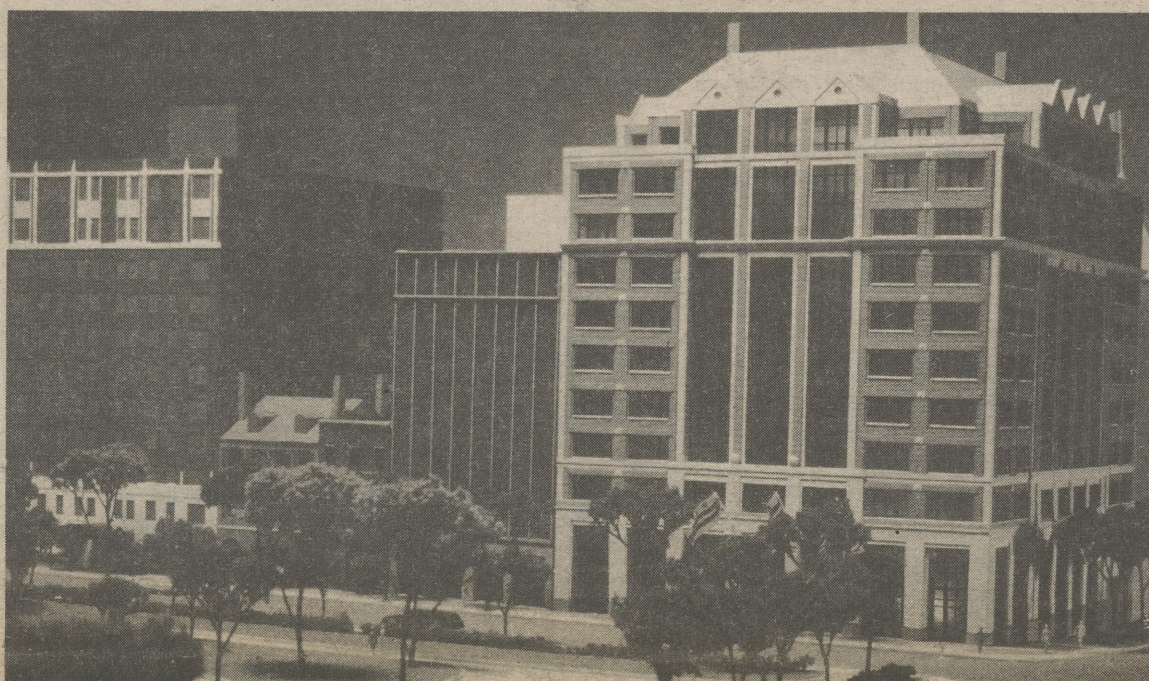


# Foggy Bottom News

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## Arts Club Transfers Unused Building Rights to Developer of Eye Street Property

by Jennifer Comiteau

If approved by the D.C. Zoning Commission on November 16, The Arts Club of Washington, situated in the historic Monroe House and the adjoining Macfeely House, will lease a portion of its unused development rights above the structures to the Farr Companies in order to construct a new building proposed for 2001 Eye St., N.W.

Eye Land Limited Partner-

ship at 2011 Eye St., home of Primi Piatti restaurant, will also lease unused development space to the Farr Companies. The project, called a planned unit development, will enable the Arts Club and the newly renovated Eye Land Limited Partnership office building to remain as they currently exist. Both the Medical Society of D.C. and the Electronic In-

dustries Association buildings, located at 2007 and 2001 Eye St., respectively, will be demolished and the proposed new building will be located on these lots.

The Electronic Industries Association (EIA) plans to be an equity participant and to relocate in the planned building. The EIA is a full-service na-

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## Columbia Plaza Installs Satellite Dish for Cable

By Robert Bernard

Columbia Plaza has decided to avoid the wait for conventional cable and have its own satellite cable system installed.

The system was installed free of charge by Washington Cable Vision. They will maintain ownership of it and the right to charge for its use. The service will be available to all 800 units in the Columbia Plaza complex. Tenants of Columbia Plaza will continue to receive the channels they previously had from their master antenna at no extra cost, with the additional satellite channels being provided by Washing-

ton Cable Vision on demand for a fee. All the units at Columbia Plaza are now hooked up to the master antenna, so to provide expanded satellite service, the new transmission will just be added to those already available. A decoder box will be used to unscramble the different subscriber channels.

Washington Cable Vision has primarily done satellite installations in southwest Washington and has just recently expanded to the northwest, including the Watergate complex at 2700 Virginia Ave., N.W. Joseph Klein, general manager of Washington Cable Vision, said they can only

build on private property and are looking to provide their service in complexes with over 400 units.

Bruce MacQueen, the general manager of Columbia Plaza, said that management was contacted by Washington Cable Vision and offered the service. The installation began at the end of August and tenants began subscribing to the service October 1. Washington Cable Vision is also doing work on the master antenna system.

District Cable Co. will eventually offer conventional cable service to all of northwest Washington.

## November Meeting to Feature City's Preparedness

At the November meeting of the FBA, a representative of the D.C. Office of Emergency Preparedness will outline OEP's responsibilities for emergency and/or disaster situations which occur in the District of Columbia.

It will also provide an opportunity for FB members to contribute food to the needy, in the spirit of Thanksgiving, by bringing donations for St. Paul's "Parish Pantry."

The Office of Emergency Preparedness is responsible for coordination of activities and communications during any emergencies or disasters in the city, and produces plans for hazards, including severe weather conditions. During emergencies the OEP acts as the central communication point, and coordinates the efforts of all city agencies. Preparation and implementation of the snow plan are among its responsibilities.

### BRING FOOD DONATIONS TO MEETING

And, in the spirit of Thanksgiving, those attending the meeting are asked to bring a donation of food for St. Paul's Parish Pantry. This is part of St. Paul's ministry to the poor, and the pantry supplies food to the needy. Needed are ready-to-eat foodstuffs (meat, vegetables, fruit, etc.) which are *packaged in easily opened containers such as jars*. The needs are specific since the recipients often do not have even simple implements such as can openers. Join to help St. Paul's giving program.

## Meeting Foggy Bottom Association

Joseph Yeldell

Director, D.C. Office Of  
Emergency Preparedness

8:00 P.M.

Monday

November 23, 1987

St. Paul's Parish House  
2430 K Street, N.W.



## New Development On Eye Street

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tional trade organization based in the District that represents companies involved in manufacturing of electronic components, parts, systems and equipment for industrial, commercial, government and consumer users. According to Davis Buckley, Executive Architect for the project, Electronic Industries Association will occupy 40-50% of the building and possess the opportunity to expand with the building as they grow.

The application for the planned unit development allows the Zoning Commission to give consideration to transferring unused development space, known in the application as FAR (Floor-Area Ratio). Because the Arts Club and Eye Land Limited Partnership have not used all the development space allotted to them in their zone, the planned unit development project requests the use of this area to construct the proposed building.

The Arts Club building, located at 2017 and 2015 Eye St., between Roy Rogers and Swensens, possesses 42,000 FAR square feet of unused development space. According to Tom Ward, the immediate past President of the Arts Club, "the undeveloped rights are about the only asset the Arts Club has and the only source of money the Arts Club itself can generate." Leasing 37,000 FAR square feet of development area will enable the Art Club, Ward said, "to preserve, conserve and renovate the buildings."

"It's a very important project in terms of preservation of small buildings," Buckley added, "for it enhances the life of the city to have buildings remain."

As with most non-profit organizations, the Arts Club is concerned with budgetary requirements for the scholarships and programs it provides, in addition to the costly maintenance fees needed for its historic home. The lease has been designed, explained Robert Curtis, Project Manager for the Farr Companies, to provide a 99-year lease with two 99-year extensions. "This," claimed Curtis, "will enable the Arts Club to benefit perpetually."

Buckley explained that the community as well as the Arts Club will benefit. He said \$115,000 will be donated to the Arts and Public Space Program which allows public art work either on or adjacent to the planned unit development site. Of that amount \$15,000 will be allotted for a design fund to allow for the design of the entire project space. Funds will also be awarded to preserving Monroe Park, between Eye St. and Pennsylvania Avenue, in the Adopt-a-Park Program. Initially provided will be \$25,000 followed by five years of maintenance care. Kirk White, attorney for Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue, said the offers of public programs relate back to what the applicants are asking for, development space.

Robert Curtis said "often-times development issues are difficult and have trouble with support." He feels positive about the project because the October 5 public hearing was met with no opposition. Ralph Rosenbaum, Chairman on Zoning for the ANC, said the ANC took a position of "non-support." He contends that although benefits will arise from the transfer of

development rights, he feels most benefits are going to aid the Arts Club and that those supposed to aid the neighborhood are not well defined. Rosenbaum noted he feels the Adopt-a-Park Program is "nothing more than what we should expect from the parks." He said it "worries us" that money is paid to a foundation to buy zoning.

The ANC didn't oppose the project, Rosenbaum said, because the ANC normally supports development at commercial sites.

The proposed 11-story office building will have both retail and commercial office space. Retail space will be located on the ground floor, the types of which have not yet been stipulated, and office space on floors two through eleven. The building will also include 78 parking spaces on three below-grade levels.

A stone base with light colored concrete and rose colored brick will be used to construct the building. A concrete and brick paving pattern is planned for the sidewalk that will surround the building.

Buckley said the Zoning Commission asked for additional information at the hearing, including photographs of the building on site, alternate ways to treat the top of the building, a statement from Electronic Industries Association on what other options it had, and samples of the building material. He contends that all the parties involved feel positive. If approved, the estimate \$38 million project will begin construction in the spring of 1988.

## How Club Will Use Revenue

Tom Ward stressed that many aspects of the Arts Club are going to benefit from the development project. "The rooms of the Monroe House and Macfeely House serve as art galleries and that is a very important function of the Arts Club for the community. Those rooms are open to the public six days a week and people can view both rotating and permanent exhibitions. We focus on Washington art over the years and have one of the largest collections of Washington art in existence in one place. We anticipate through the planned unit development project that these shows will be greatly increased in quality and that the exhibition space will be greatly enhanced."

A portion of the money generated from the lease of the Arts Club's development rights will, according to Ward, "increase the amount and number of art scholarships we give." The Arts Club is currently supporting two students in the Washington area through the student-artist scholarship program. The scholarships are presented each fall to support the student's studies during the academic year. An endowment established by the Club in the early 1960s funds the awards.

"Another important aspect of the project," said Ward, is that through the lease, the previous lack of repairs on the buildings is going to be overcome. Preserving these historic buildings for both the public and club members is a continuing Arts Club priority.

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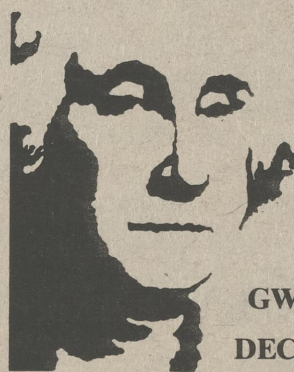
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# FB Again Among Beautification Awards Participants

By Mary E. Healy

There are many private dwellings, rental, condominium and cooperative apartment buildings, office buildings, hospitals, universities and others in our FB neighborhood where the owners or residents exhibit intense pride in keeping their own property clean and pretty and in addition they clean and maintain the public sidewalk and tree spaces.

Listed below are some properties that I have personally observed, and others which were pointed out to me. These were recommended to the Environmental Awards Committee to receive Special Recognition for the efforts of the "doers." The awards were given on November 12 at a special city-wide ceremony held by the Mayor, the Litter and Solid Waste Reduction Commission, and the Mayor's former Citizens' Advisory Committee for Neighborhood Beautification. In your walks around FB you might want to look at these especially and maybe stop in and say "Thank You" to the occupants of the premises:

Columbia Hospital for Women Medical Center for planting nine 15-20' trees in city tree spaces on 25th between L and M and on N between 24th and 25th.

The St. James at 24th and K, Guest Quarters at 801 NH and the Inn at Foggy Bottom at 824 NH for their lovely floral displays and their maintenance of public sidewalks and tree spaces;

Stephen Timlin (FBA Treasurer and relatively new to our FB area) for his lovely house and lawn at 842 NH Ave. Steve has done wonders with that property since he acquired it;

George Washington University for the complete rehabilitation of the "University Yard" surrounded by 20th, G, H and 21st. All new widened sidewalks of brick, new turf with irrigation, ample new benches, new lighting, added trees and shrubs were the result of much work and expenditure of funds, I'm sure. The Yard is extremely nice and is open to all of us in Foggy Bottom to stroll through, sit quietly on the benches or grass

or otherwise enjoy the activities of the Yard.

St. Mary's Court, our community residence for senior citizens, and our FB Community Center operating under St. Mary's watchful eye, for their continued establishment of beautiful gardens all year around and their maintenance of the sidewalks and city tree spaces.

The American Association of University Women at 2401 Virginia, for their colorful plantings (particularly at their massive bay window) and their maintenance of their property. AAUW lost most of their shrubbery last year to winter kill and are to be complimented on their rapid replacement;

The Potomac Plaza Cooperative Apt. at 2475 Virginia, continues to set a good example at their focal point in the community. They too lost of their shrubs and trees last year but

have done a magnificent job of restoration, planting many new dogwood trees which should be beautiful this spring;

The Plaza Condominium continues to stand out at 800 25th with their landscaping and with the wonderful job they do on completely maintaining the large city park to the south of their building, providing a clean and pretty place for office workers and others to sit and have lunch and for tourists to rest their tired feet;

The Zelinka-Cahills for the TLC given to their little flower garden at 2407 Eye which we all enjoyed so much over the summer;

The Westin, Park-Hyatt and Grand Hotels at 24th and N for their lovely floral displays and for their civic pride in maintaining all the city sidewalks, gutters, and tree spaces adjacent to their properties in such excellent condition;

The Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia at 601 NH continues to provide the community and thou-

sands of visitors to the Kennedy Center with beautifully sculptured and landscaped grounds and colorful floral displays;

The GSA Headquarters at 18th and F planted the four corners of their building with a bright red display brightening an otherwise drab area;

And last, but not by any means least, to Karen Matheson, who lives at 2124 Eye and "just loves to dig in the dirt" who planted (on her own) many flowers and generally improved the property at the West End Condo;

Take a look; if you like what you see, copy it and pretty soon all of Foggy Bottom will be clean and in bloom and the Convention Center won't be able to hold all of us at next year's Award Ceremony. Remember, if you just don't feel like traveling a long way to buy flowers or small garden shrubs for planting, watch for the Garden Sale held each year at St. Mary's Court. Many lovely and flowers were purchased there this year.

## THANK YOU

*Julie and Patrick Burton want to thank everyone in Foggy Bottom for their prayers, thoughts, calls and cards during Patrick's recovery from his serious illness of a ruptured aneurysm followed by surgery last January. It has been almost a year now since he returned from George Washington Hospital, and his progress continues slowly but surely. Mr. and Mrs. Burton particularly want to express their appreciation for the thoughtfulness of Father Sheehan and Father Bober of St. Stephen's Catholic Church of which they're members. The Bortons have been residents of our area for 30 years.*



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# KARATE



## You Don't Need to Go to the Orient, Just Go Around the Corner

by Robert Bernard

Karate. The word brings to mind the late night show where a samurai warrior was able to dodge forty arrows shot at him at the same time — blindfolded. But developing even simple skills in karate is an exercise of both mind and body.

I have played many sports in the past, everything from baseball to tennis, but I have found karate to be the most physically demanding and the most interesting.

I practice a style called Wado Ryu, a very traditional style of karate. It is a small school with a limited membership of a few dedicated students. A typical one-hour class begins with 20-25 minutes of calisthenics that work on karate techniques. The

exercises are followed by techniques such as kicks, blocks, punches, and katas (a series of the three put together). The rest of the class is unpredictable. Most schools follow this general format, although the time allotments may be different.

Eric Blackman, a student at the George Washington University, takes karate because "it keeps my mind and body in shape, and the discipline I learned in the class has helped me keep my grades up."

I joined karate because I was interested in learning all of the traditional things that surround it. I wanted to be part of the "mystique" that seems to follow karate. Through it I have gained better strength, endurance

and a much improved cardiovascular performance.

There are many intangible things that can be learned from the practice of karate or other martial arts. As Joe Hyams, a black belt in karate since 1969, says in his book, *Zen In the Martial Arts*, "I have found that when I attain the spiritual goals of the martial arts, the quality of my life has been dramatically altered — enriching my relationships with people, as well as keeping me in closer touch with myself."

If you are interested in joining a class, look at many different styles and schools (for instance, there are several different schools of Tae Kwon Do in the area even though it is the same style) to see what suits you. If you are interested in Karate for immediate self-defense applications, a traditional style like Wado Ryu or Shotokan may not be for you. Jhoon Rhee's school of Tae Kwon Do, 1258 Wisconsin Ave. in Georgetown, is a good example of style that mixes self-defense and traditional karate.

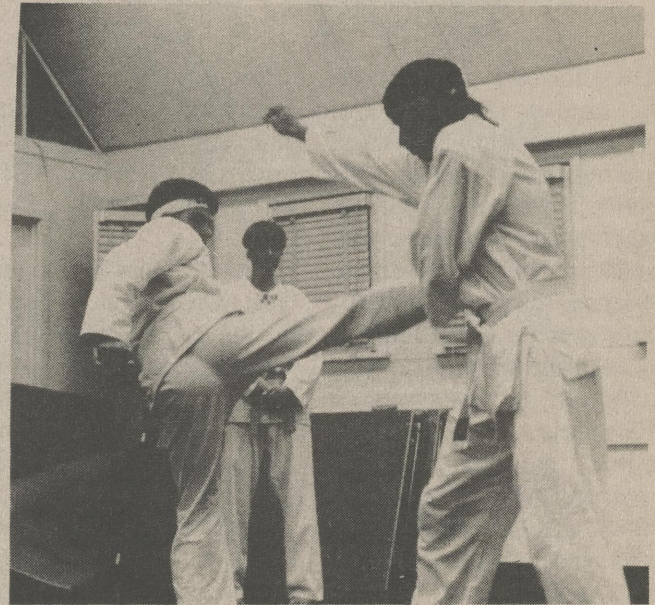
For people in the Foggy Bottom area the best place to find a variety of karate schools is at the George Washington University's Marvin Center, 800 21st Street, N.W. The Student Activities office in room 427 has a list of martial arts clubs with the names and phone numbers of people to contact. Most schools have open membership and welcome new students.

Before signing up for karate and investing what could be a large sum of money (anywhere from \$25 to \$60 a month and up) you should go watch a class. See what the attitude of the students and instructor are like and how the class is run. Check the pace of the class and see if they have separate classes for beginners. Ask the instructor how much physical contact is involved and what the policies and goals of the school are.

If you have children who are interested in taking karate, don't be afraid to let them try it. It will get them in shape and promote their self-discipline, as well as boost their self-confidence. Many schools have special classes for children and most openly

## It's Not Just for

Photo By Brooke Toni



promote good grades and the use of karate in self-defense only. Jhoon Rhee's school requires that all of the younger students bring in report cards and maintain their grades.

Whatever your age, karate can be helpful in developing

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# Bruce Lee Anymore...

Not Just a Sport,  
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## One Woman's Observations

by Betty Olsen

Karate . . . just a word . . . something to do with defending yourself . . . that is what it meant to me before "sitting-in" at a Shotokan Club session of about 30 participants at the GWU Marvin Center, 4th floor.

I got off the elevators in the building a bit after 8 p.m. (the session is until 10 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and on Saturday mornings at 10:30 a.m. There is a charge. I was going to ask where the Japanese Shotokan Karate Club met when I heard the grunts so I followed my ears until I found the sound. Noticing that everyone had their shoes off in the session, I slipped mine off too and I felt freer immediately, and more a part of the class, even though I was just visiting.

You too can sit in for several sessions to obtain the effect of the sport. Heckmet Tabbasi, the instructor, holds a 4th degree black belt. I really wasn't ready for the absolute controlled atmosphere that was present, all seriousness with the individual calls of the instructor. A member of the class

politely brought me a chair as the session progressed, and as it did, the perspiration did, too. Then the students took a break and bowed out of the well-lit carpeted room.

I was welcomed with aplomb by Tabbasi who was aware of my presence, and politely met me to discuss the class with me. As we talked he began to tell me the story of Karate, and how the pupils practice, practice, practice, until it becomes reflex to them. Usually they become students for life, so as not to lose these reflexes. Then he began to elaborate on how karate was conditioning discipline of the body, but also the mind. He asked a student to quote the Dojo Kun (school philosophy) for me which was "... Seek perfection of character, be faithful, endeavor to excel, respect others, and refrain from violent behavior." As we discussed the creed of the classes, it was brought out that Karate-do is an art of self-defense. The karate student becomes a true follower when he attains perfection in two aspects, one spiritual and the other physical. A spirit of humi-

lity is a substantial part of the karate student's learning behavior. During every class he is endowed with the Dojo Kun which becomes a lifetime endeavor.

Tabbasi is a native of Teheran, Iran, and as he said he was round and short when he was a boy and he began taking karate and grew tall and square. He came to this country, continuing his karate under the tutelage of Masatoshi Nakayama, who died this past spring, and of Nakayama's pupils. He was in Philadelphia before moving to Washington where he took undergraduate courses at the University of Maryland, completing his Master's at George Washington University in structural engineering. He stated that karate taught him the discipline to go fulltime to school, work fulltime and instruct karate.

Visiting the Shotokan Club is celebration of life — that is the way I felt as I left. The vitality and sincerity flows back and forth unbelievably. It was far more than I expected when an acquaintance suggested to me to just come and see for myself what he was experiencing, and now that I have been there, I really and truly feel like I've been touched by the art of karate, a way of life.

Oh yes, the club has both men and women practicing and everyone is wearing a gi in white with whatever color of belt they have attained in the study. The Shotokan Karate Club has Pan Ame-

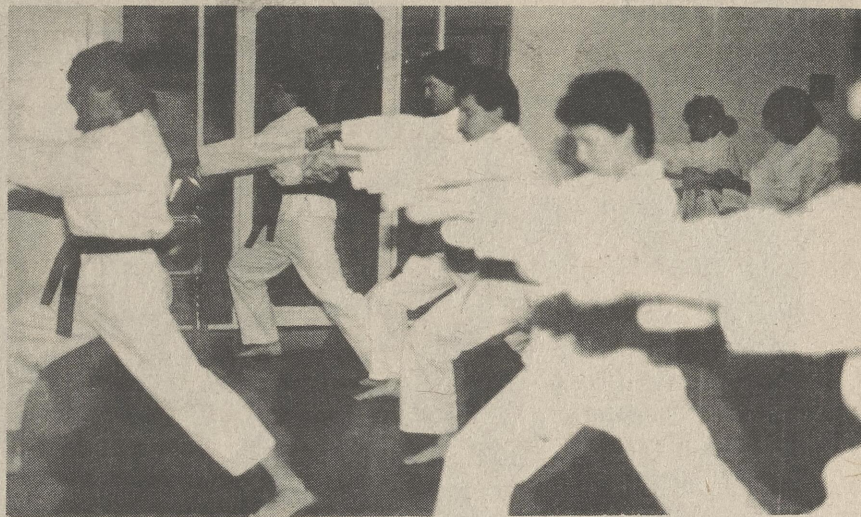


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rican Competition, and others; most recently four teams met from Japan, U.S., Mexico and Canada at the International Goodwill Tournament in Arizona at

the Phoenix Civic Plaza October 18th. This was their tenth annual international Shotokan Karate Federation which benefited the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

### St. Paul's Holds Procession with Carols on Advent Sunday

At 8:00 p.m. on Advent Sunday, November 29, 1987, the choir will present "A Procession with Carols", a service that originated at King's College, Cambridge, to begin the Christian year. Throughout the service the choir moves by stages from west to east, "from darkness to light." After carols in the nave, the procession moves into the Choir stalls singing the hymn "Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding!" Benediction and a reception follow the presentation. St. Paul's is at 2430 K Street.

### Recreation Abounds for Older Adults

This year, Iona House Senior Services is offering recreation and continuing education opportunities at a variety of conveniently placed older adult luncheon and activity sites throughout northwest Washington. Quilting, book reviews, trips, dance exercises, movie classics, watercolor painting, blood pressure screening, and a host of other classes and events are available. To find out more about these and other recreational opportunities, call Reed Dewey at Iona House Senior Services, 966-1055.

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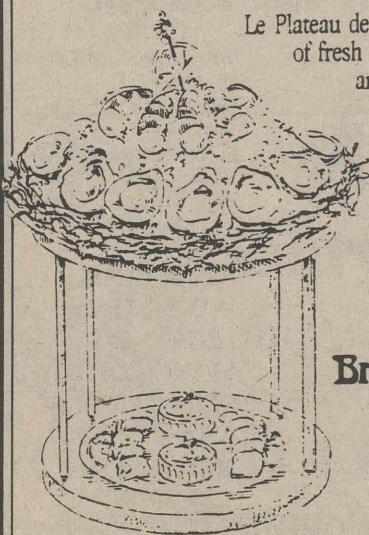
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## AHHHH - AUTUMN!

By Betty Olsen

Ahhhh - October brought Autumn colors to Foggy Bottom and the Oktoberfest to Columbia Plaza. On October 24 the day was beautiful, just beautiful, weather-wise, and the gang was all there to enjoy themselves and each other. Carol (couldn't remember her last name when we met) Schwartz stopped by to be introduced by FBA President Richard Price, at the microphone and say a few hurrahs for Foggy Bottom. She eased my embarrassment of blanking out on her name by saying, "That's all right, people call me everyone these days—Elizabeth Dole, Connie Morella". . . . Then David Clarke, Chairman of the City Council, made his appearance to support the happy occasion. Bob Charles and Anne Lomas were seen greeting others in the area as was Chris Morales, a GWU graduate, who has just began another assignment with the Secret Service guarding the presidential hopeful, Paul Simon. John Wilson said that he almost didn't make it to the Oktoberfest, because he had his alarm on in his house, went outside, and when he re-entered he set it off and. . . couldn't turn it off. While he was working feverishly to come up with the right combination, the police came and told him to put his hands over his head. As he was exclaiming, "This is a mistake," but following orders he was finally recognized as the Councilman from our Ward, so he made it on schedule to the party. Lisa Lutz was talking about getting her mermaid costume together for Halloween. Lutz always has liked mermaids, so this seemed

right down her wave (ho, ho) to dress up as one. Joe Miller, #3879 of the DC Police, was talking about how he lost 38 pounds by being on a "rabbit diet." He also jogs several times a week; mainly when the neighborhood dog begins to chase him down his street. Interesting note: Miller got his DC policeman's position after Boeing laid off workers in Washington state when they didn't get the SST contract. One day he was walking down a street in Seattle when they were recruiting for the DC police force and signed up. Everyone should be glad that we got Joe.

He's been in the Department for 18 years now, and with an extension of 5, he'll then be ready to head home to Louisiana again. However, he is going to try to find a place to buy around Frederick so that he can come back this way on occasion too. "Once you've lived in this area you'll miss it," he said.

Mickey Brill of Columbia Plaza was seen recording all on tape. She was looking over the Plaza from her flat above, and decided to come down so that she could see and hear better. Dorothy Ohliger was visiting with Dorothy Cascione who bought some fireside matches at the white elephant sale to use this winter as she's tucked in by the hearth. She lives on 25th Street in the pink house with dark gray trim. Maria and Geoffrey Tyler were there. Mr. Tyler had to leave early for an important appointment, his Saturday game of squash.

Eric St. John in the Sports Department of The Washington Post read all about the Oktoberfest in the Foggy Bottom News,

and decided to come, too. Grace Watson was seen busily helping out "wherever" needed. Hot dog!! . . . we were surely glad to have Elayne DeVito in charge of that department as well as the event, because over 500 were over grilled and purchased during the day's outing. Jessie Stewart, of Potomac Overlook, and secretary of the FBA, was there supervising the kids' activities. Walking back along 25th Street with Isabella Goppert and a helium filled balloon in hand, crunching leaves underfoot, I was already planning to be at the next Oktoberfest.

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The Annual Christmas Party tradition at St. Mary's Court began some years ago as a party for the residents of the Court. It has grown in recent years and is now a community event.

Signifying the interest and participation of the community will be the presence of Councilman John Wilson of Ward 2 who will play his now traditional role of Santa Claus distributing gifts to the residents. In this happy endeavor he will be assisted by Mary Healy as Mrs. Santa Claus and Lucy Young and Eric Jones, of Councilman Wilson's office, as Santa's helpers.

The party will also feature music supplied by Eddie McDermon and his band. Mr. McDermon's band is a very popular one with the residents of the Court and it has been an attraction at many parties at the Court. Mr. McDermon is an executive of the D.C. Federation of Musicians and both St. Mary's Court and the community are indebted to Mr. McDermon and the Federation for their support and cooperation in making first-rate bands available for events at the Court.

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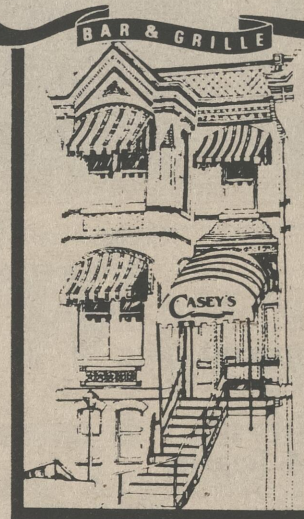
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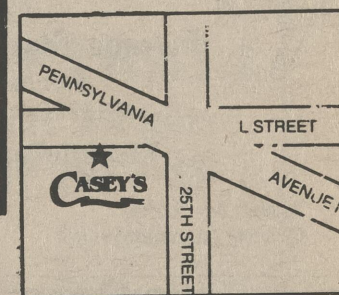
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## ANC Minutes October 13, 1987

### Historic Landmark Update:

Chairman Clapp reported that the D.C. Review Board will hold a hearing on the nomination of 7 buildings on the GW campus for landmark status. The nomination is jointly sponsored by the ANC and the University. Anne Adams of Wilkes and Artis will testify in favor of the nomination on behalf of the University. Ms. Snyderman will represent the ANC.

Commissioner Striner noted that the decision to nominate 7 buildings was the result of a compromise worked out between the University and the ANC, which had originally intended to nominate a GW historic district. In return for a promise from the University to support the landmarking of the 7 buildings, the ANC withdrew the historic district nomination. Commissioner Striner went on to say that the ANC will review its entire preservation program, once the current nomination is processed.

**West End Trading Company**, west side of 22nd Street, between L & M Streets: Commissioner Rosenbaum explained that

a zoning change from R-5-B has been requested for Sq. 51, which is "cater-corner" from Blackie's House of Beef on 22nd Street; the proposed development will occupy the entire north half of Sq. 51. Mr. Rosenbaum read a resolution opposing the rezoning, which would result in additional commercial development at the expense of residential. Owner Blackie Auger demolished the townhouses which had originally occupied the site several years ago, and is now seeking to change the site's residential zoning to commercial.

Mr. Striner indicated his approval of Mr. Rosenbaum's position, which is in keeping with the ANC's longstanding policy in favor of residential development.

Ms. Schumacher explained that she would abstain from voting, in view of her conversation with Councilman Wilson, who had urged her to support the project for several reasons, all of which she found persuasive. In his view, a "no" vote would make the ANC look very rigid. In addition in its current state as a parking lot, the site was not adding to the city's tax base. Finally, the portion of the site for which rezoning was be-

ing sought would provide very little housing.

Mr. Rosenbaum noted that the site has some 60,000 square feet, which would support a good-sized building. He would not object to the project if the application for rezoning indicated that any of it would be used for housing.

The vote on Mr. Rosenbaum's motion that the ANC oppose the project was 4-0.

**23 West Limited Partnership**, west side of 23rd Street, between M and N Streets: Ms. Andrea Sallie, attorney for the developer, the developer, and the project architect described the mixed use project which is proposed for the site. The building will be 9 stories, with the first four floors for offices and the top five floors residential. The zoning is CR, and the configuration of the site (long and narrow) and adverse rock conditions will limit design possibilities. A height variance of 10" will be requested, for a building height of 98'10". The proposed variance will allow for 20 more units. The exterior will be brick, over concrete, with an elaborate cornice which echoes the cornice design of nearby structures. The residential part of the building will have its own address and entrance. There will be two levels of parking below ground, providing 180 spaces. Residential space will be sold as condos, one-and two-bedroom, and will be completely separated from the commercial component. There will be approximately 100 units of residential space.

Several Commissioners noted that there is a market for three bedroom condos, and urged the developer to consider including larger units, in spite of the high price at which they would have to sell. Mr. Rosenbaum commented that he would support the project before the Zoning Commission if the developer would sign ANC's standard covenant providing for permanent residential use of the property.

**25th and N Street project—Update (Boston Properties):** Mr. Clapp noted that the developer had transferred commercial FAR from the site several years ago, leaving only residential. Now he is contending that residential use is not economically feasible and is offering to provide funding for housing. His initial offer specified that the housing be in another part of the city, and that the funds be used for rehab and be channeled through a community group in the Shaw area; both the ANC and the Zoning Commission objected to that proposal. His second proposal would involve changing a proposed mixed use project just a block from the

25th and N Street building and making it all residential, for a total of 100 units. The developer is, in effect, seeking a housing "linkage" for his project, and the Zoning Commission has not, as yet, developed guidelines for such proposals.

The Commissioners expressed dissatisfaction with the second proposal, reiterating their position that Boston Properties should be held to its promise to use the 25th and N Street site for residential.

**Bottle Bill—Pro and Con (Initiative 28):** Mr. Jay Bennett (a volunteer for the Bottle Bill Coalition) spoke in favor of the bill, saying that a similar bill has been in effect in Oregon for 15 years and that 10 states have bottle bills. He argued that it would help solve the litter problem, since bottles constitute the largest (and most dangerous) portion of street litter. Mr. Jerry Cooper spoke against the bill, citing its adverse impact on small businesses, which would lose sales to stores in Maryland and Virginia, which do not have bottle bills. He went on to say that there are two other bills before the Council which would not take effect until neighboring jurisdictions pass similar legislation.

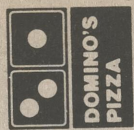
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**Airport Noise:** David Carney, the FBA representative to the above group, reported on their first meeting, held last month. CAAN is made up of three representatives each from Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia. It is concerned with National Airport and its total impact on the area, not just the noise problem. A month-long campaign has been planned, during which citizens' groups are being asked to flood National Airport with telephoned complaints and to let CAAN know that they have called. He admitted that it would be difficult to effect changes, since the airport is favored by Congress, but argued that it should be possible to "hold down" the noise. The problem may abate somewhat as more silent engines are installed. October 27 is the Foggy Bottom Association's "day" to call the airport's complaint office.

**Alley Closing-2517 Eye St:** Mr. Peter Kahn explained his reasons for seeking approval from the Council for the closing of a portion of the public alley behind his house. His petition to the Council involved a small section of the alley which is within his yard and enclosed by a fence

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and a second, slightly larger, strip of asphalt, just outside his fence and adjacent to his parking space. The closing of the two sections (which total 6'75" in width by 37' in length) would, he felt, not impede the use of the alley by his neighbors and would prevent any claims against the space at a future date. He was prepared to withdraw his request to close the section outside the fence, however, since several neighbors had objected to the proposal. His efforts to have part of the alley closed date back to 1985, when he began to contact the various municipal agencies involved. He had not raised the issue with his neighbors earlier because he did not know whether municipal approval would be forthcoming. He planned further discussions with his neighbors, to see if some agreement could be reached about the portion next to his parking space, but he was seeking ANC support for the closing of that part of the alley inside his fence. He added that he would be willing to enter into a covenant that would permanently bar him from building on the additional space acquired through the closing.

Mrs. Tyler noted that, in their letters of opposition, three neighbors had argued that the closing would restrict access to the alley and would have a detrimental effect on its aesthetic quality. Mr. Clapp and Mr. Rosenbaum (who had visited the site) commented that it seemed unlikely that the closing would have an adverse aesthetic impact.

A motion was made that the ANC only support Mr. Kahn's request for the closing of the portion of the alley inside his fence because of the objection of neighboring property owners to closing both portions. If, at some future date, their objections were removed, the ANC would reconsider a request from Mr. Kahn for ANC support for the closing of the other portion of the alley, if Mr. Kahn chose to resubmit his request. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Oktoberfest:** Citing the fact that the ANC is interested in contributing to activities which bring the neighborhood together, Mr. Clapp made a motion that the ANC contribute \$300 toward the expenses of the Oktoberfest, to be held on Satur-

day, Oct. 24, from 1-4. Ms. Schumacher seconded the motion, and the vote in favor was unanimous, 4-0.

**D.C. Historic Preservation Review Board:** Two proposed alterations in the F.B. Historic District (now listed in the National Register of Historic Places) were reviewed: 914 25th Street, for an addition (3-story) in the rear. Representatives of the Commission had visited the site and had no objections, since

other residences in the area had similar additions. The ANC will take no position on the proposal, however, since one neighbor objects. Also, 908 25th Street, for the erection of a 3½-foot picket fence (ANC will take no position).

**Glover-Archbold Parkway Bill:** Mr. Joel Loman, representing ANC-3C, reported that a group has been formed to fight the use of the Parkway for an access road to a new development on

Wisconsin Avenue. A bill has been submitted to the Council asking that the Parkway be given to the National Park Service to prevent its development, since the city supports the developer's use of the land for a road.

Mr. Clapp expressed the ANC's support for bill. Mr. Rosenbaum made a motion that the ANC take a position in support of it. It passed unanimously, 4-0.

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## Faces of Foggy Bottom

by Kirsten Olsen

Often students have a long trip home from college to visit their parents but in the Colucci's case, all they have to do is cross the lobby and take the elevator at the Watergate. For the 3½ years Victor and Marlene's (pronounced Mar-lane-ah) daughters, Marlene, 25, and Michele, 22, have been at Georgetown University, the Colucci's have looked for an appropriate place to open a restaurant.

Once the girls were in college, and the California restaurant was in good hands, Marlene said she thought she would go back to fulltime painting, but Victor grew restless. So in no time, they were shopping for a new project. Last November they found what they were looking for, and four months ago opened Florian on K Street.

This is not the Colucci's first foray into the restaurant business. For twenty years they have owned Boccaccio's in Westlake Village, California, about thirty miles out of Los Angeles. Boccaccio's, which was first Italian,

like Victor, later evolved into a combination of French and Italian, and had series like Dynasty, Dallas and the Colby's filmed there. Their new restaurant is mostly French and patterned after Parisian brasseries.

Over 26 years ago Victor met Marlene on a blind date in New York City. Marlene was visiting from Munich, working in a jewelry store on Fifth Avenue, and perfecting her English, and Victor was a consultant for, among other things, restaurants. Though Marlene went back to West Germany the next week, the two kept in touch and later married.

Marlene is an artist and her impressionistic paintings adorn the walls of the new restaurant. One of her paintings, a still life of flowers, is the symbol of the restaurant — it appears on the cover of the menu, the matches, and served as inspiration for the name "Florian." She has exhibited and sold her work in California, and designs jewelry as well. She says she loves to tour the art

museums in DC, that is, when she can sneak away from the long hours at the restaurant.

A big task was all the decorating that had to be done for the 200-seat place. It had to be entirely refurbished after the last group, Manhattan Murphy's, moved out. Marlene, who planned the decor, said when they began there wasn't even a ceiling. The hardest part of the design, she says, was developing the color scheme because she wanted to replicate the 50-year-old brasseries in Paris. She hadn't worked hands-on in a restaurant before and she says it is "worse than having a baby."

The restaurant is frequented, Victor says, by lawyers and media people. Though July and August were slow, business is now picking up.

(Their maitre'd, **Paul Haudy**, from Alsace, France, is a former Foggy Bottom resident also. Haudy lived in the Carriage House before it went condominium. He has been known for years as the maitre'd at Le Lion



D'Or on 18th Street. Also a waiter there is **John Sembrot** who lives in a GW-owned townhouse on Virginia Avenue.)

Victor and Marlene say they are very close to their daughters, and their daughters get a kick out of their new restaurant. "They call me up and ask to make sure I'm not having more fun than they are," says Marlene.

Marlene and Victor originally picked Foggy Bottom and the

Watergate for their daughters because it was safe, and shopping was convenient. In their spare time, they travel quite a bit, and are constantly trying out other restaurants. Victor guesses they probably have eaten at more restaurants than any other restaurant owners in town.

Marlene, who still has family in Germany, says she loves the U.S. "It's the greatest country in the world."

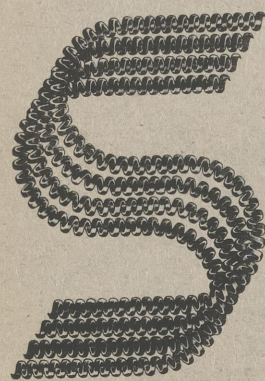


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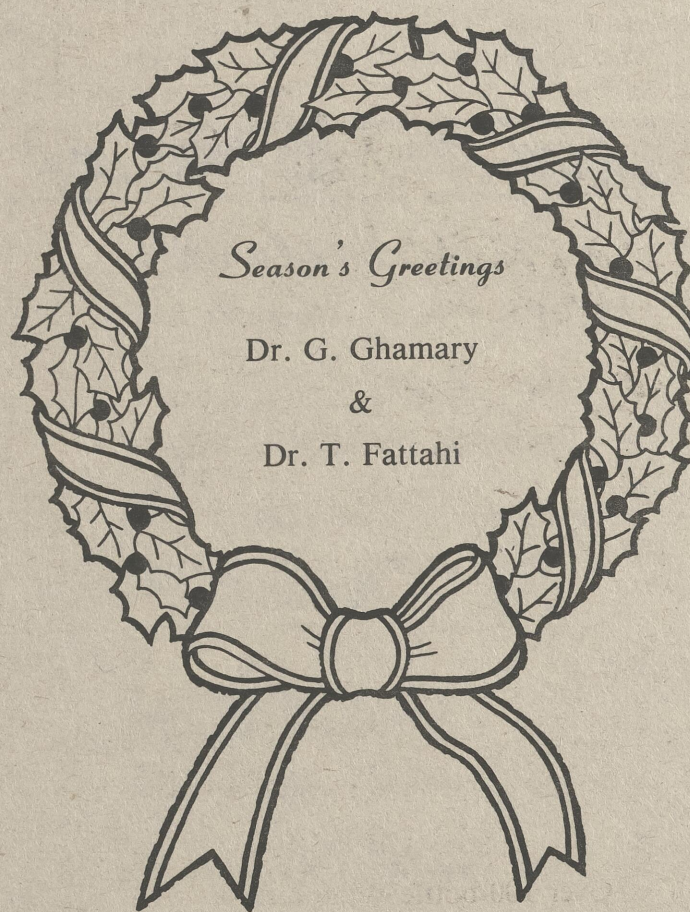
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## Drink And Be Merry But NOT Too Merry

by Betty Olsen

It's holiday time. . . AGAIN! Can you believe it? Following are some drink recipes that will spice up this time of the year for you and your guests. Some like it hot; others like it cold, so "whatever" your drink preference, "Here's looking at you, kid." "Bottoms up," "Cheers," And. . . Holiday Greetings!" If serving hot beverages in glass, remember to place spoon in glass to absorb heat of hot liquid, so that it doesn't break. So. . . drink and be merry, but not too merry!

### Glogg

- 2 tps. orange peel
- 1 tsp. cloves
- 4 cardamons
- 3 cinnamon sticks
- cheesecloth
- 3 (fifth size) bottles Burgundy, divided
- 1 cup raisins
- 18 oz. apricots
- 1-7/8 quarts vodka or gin
- 1 cup toasted almonds

Place peel and spices in a piece of cheesecloth and tie securely. Pour 1 bottle of the wine



over the dried fruits in a large pot, add cheesecloth spice bag and simmer 30 minutes. Add remaining liquid. Leave overnight to steep.

Reheat. For a final touch, ignite surface for a few seconds, and toss in toasted almonds.

Yield: 10 generous cups, or 20 less generous ones.

### Hot Tea Punch

- 4 cups boiling water
- 4 teabags
- 1 stick cinnamon
- 1 tsp. cloves
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 cups orange juice
- 1/2 lemon, squeezed

Bring water to boil. Add tea and spices and steep 5 minutes. Remove spices. Add other ingredients and reheat.

To spike add brandy or other liquor to taste.

Serves 4 to 6.

### Wassail

(10 servings)

- 6 apples
- brown sugar
- 1 cup of water
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 clove
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 blade of mace
- 1-inch cinnamon stick
- 3 each coriander, cardamon seeds
- 2 bottles medium-dry sherry
- 3 tablespoons brandy
- 1/2 pound sugar
- 6 eggs

Core apples, stuff with brown sugar and bake until soft. Set aside. Put water in saucepan and add spices. Bring to boil. Add sherry, brandy and sugar. Heat slowly. Separate eggs and put whites and 3 yolks into wassail bowl. Use the other yolks to make mayonnaise. Add a cupful of warm sherry mixture, mixing well. Repeat until you have added 5 cupfuls to eggs. Continue to heat remaining sherry mix-

ture, and when it comes to boil, pour over eggs, whisking to make liquid fluffy. Add baked apples.



Serve in punch bowl to add a festive air.

### Hot Buttered Rum

In a saucepan, warm enough Jamaican rum to allow a half glass of rum per person. Add 1 to 3 cinnamon sticks, depending on the number of people to be served. Sweeten to taste with brown sugar or honey. Pour into tankards or tall glasses with spoons. Add boiling water and float a thin, very hard slice of butter on top.

If you dislike the buttered look of this drink, just stick to the rum.

### Mulled Wine

- 3 lemons
- 3-3/4 cups vanilla flavored sugar
- 4 cinnamon sticks
- 4 tps. ground cloves
- Pinch of allspice
- 4 bottles (fifth size) red wine

Slice lemons into a gallon pot and add sugar, together with cinnamon sticks and remaining spices. Pour in wine and bring to boil. Stir. Dredge out spices using a strainer. Serve in mugs with a slice of lemon floating in each.

Serves 8 to 10.

### Irish Coffee

- 1-1/2 tps. sugar
- 1 jigger whiskey
- hot, strong black coffee
- whipped cream

Pour sugar and whiskey into a 6 to 8 ounce glass. Add coffee, filling to about 1/2 inch from the rim of the glass. Stir, then gently pour softly whipped cream over the back of a spoon so that it floats on top of the coffee. Sip drink through the cream topping.

### White House Eggnog

Into your own eggnog mixture, made up to serve 16 to 20 guests, gently stir 1 pint bourbon, 1/2 pint rum and 1/2 pint brandy. Add 1/4 teaspoon vanilla and top with 2 teaspoons of grated nutmeg. At the last minute The White House adds eggnog ice cream to keep the punch cool.

## Neighborhood Datebook

**Sunday, November 22:** Holiday Bazaar, St. Paul's Church, 2430 K Street, after the Masses.

**Monday, November 23:** 8:00 p.m. FBA Meeting, St. Paul's Parish House.

**Thursday, November 26:** Thanksgiving.

**Sunday, November 29:** 8:00 p.m. A Procession with Carols on Advent Sunday, St. Paul's. Celebrate the beginning of the Liturgical Year at this service featuring the combined choirs of the parish. The celebration will be followed by a reception.

**Friday, December 4:** GWU Messiah Sing-Along. Call 994-6245 for more information.

**Saturday, December 5:** Trip to Annapolis, Maryland, sponsored by St. Stephen's, 2436 Pennsylvania Avenue. A one-day trip to historic Annapolis, leaving from St. Stephen Martyr Church at 10:00 a.m. and returning at 5:00 p.m. Includes a guided tour of the U.S. Naval Academy with its beautiful chapel and the crypt of Naval hero John Paul Jones, as well as the State Legislature. Lunch will be served in the main dining room of the Hilton Annapolis overlooking Annapolis Harbor. Afternoon free for shopping, etc. All inclusive trip costs \$38.00 per person. Please call Eugenia Marchello at 333-3187 in the evening.

**Tuesday, December 8:** 7:30 p.m. ANC-2A Meeting, St. Mary's Court, 725 24th Street, N.W.

**Saturday/Sunday, December 19-20:** 5:00-7:00 p.m., Candlelight Tours of the Heurich Mansion, sponsored by the Columbia Historical Society. A tour of one of Washington's grandest Victorian mansions splendidly decorated and filled with music and candlelight has become one of Washington's favorite holiday traditions. Bring your children or out-of-town guests for a very special occasion. Musical entertainment by the Close Enough Barbershop Quartet and the Capitol Hill Consort. Hot cider and cookies in the conservatory. Admission: \$2.50 per person, children under 5 free. Tickets at the door.

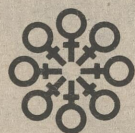
**Friday-Sunday, January 8-10:** Ski Weekend Getaway sponsored by the St. Stephen Fellowship Committee. A weekend of skiing, swimming, and fun from January 8 to January 10, 1988, at Blue Knob Mountain in Altoona, Pennsylvania. Transportation, food, skis, ski lessons, parties and lodging — all for \$124 (based on 4-person room occupancy). Come for cross-country skiing and snowmobiling too! Also near shopping, bowling, roller-skating and movies. Eliza Graney (337-4368) or Betsy O'Brien (966-8091) will be happy to provide complete details if you will please call either of them in the evening.

**Tuesday, January 12:** 7:30 p.m. ANC-2A Meeting, location to be announced.

**Tuesday & Thursday, January 19 & 21:** 7:00 p.m., Financial Planning Seminar, sponsored by St. Stephen's Education Committee; Elizabeth Labash, Vice President, Ferris & Co. (\$2.00 donation).

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